

Islip, NY – The EJ Autism Foundation, which works to increase awareness about autism and to raise money to fund programs for children on the spectrum, has named Islip Town Councilman John Edwards an EJ Autism Superhero.

The Foundation chose Councilman Edwards because of his dedication to raising funds and awareness about autism. He developed and organized the Town's first-ever Great South Bay Triathlon, which has become an annual event. The proceeds from the triathlon were donated to the EJ Autism Foundation and the Boomer Esaison Foundation for Cystic Fibrosis. Councilman Edwards is also a participant in the triathlons.

"These two organizations have local roots and do an excellent job helping others, which is why they were chosen as the beneficiaries of the triathlon," stated Councilman Edwards. "I am honored by the designation I have received from the EJ Autism Foundation, and I commend them for all of their hard work."

For more information on the Town's annual triathlon, call 224-5485. To learn more about the EJ Autism Foundation, email bea@ejautismfoundation.org.